

Allegations of sexist comments addressed

By Kim Hansen

Names are being withheld from a public statement addressing charges of sexist comments made during last fall's Student Senate elections, said Sen. Mark Rabick at Thursday's Student Senate meeting.

The statement was in response to a request last fall asking the Student Government Oversight Committee to investigate charges of sexist comments and the forgery of university documents, Rabick said later.

"We're keeping the names confidential," he said.

The forgery allegation involves a Senate candidate using a Change of College form to switch to a college which had an open seat running unopposed, Rabick said. The Oversight Committee dismissed the forgery charge due to lack of evidence.

The sexist comments and alleged forgery took place around the October elections.

The person charged with making sexist comments has admitted to it and has written a letter of apology to the affected party, Rabick said.

Each senator received a public statement in their mailbox, Rabick said at the meeting during his report to the Senate.

Several resolutions were heard and passed at the meeting, one concerning bringing presidential candidates to UNO.

In December, the Senate allocated \$5,000 to the Council for Community and Legislative Relations (CCLR) to pay for presidential candidates to speak at UNO, said Student President/Regent Mike Farquhar.

A former resolution stated the proposed speaking engagement would be open to all candidates. A resolution passed Thursday night would allow only the five Democratic front-runners and two candidates from the Republican Party, he said.

Invitations would be extended to Democrats Paul Tsongas, Bob Kerrey, Tom Harkin, Jerry Brown and Bill Clinton, and Republicans Patrick Buchanan and President George Bush.

If any of the candidates accept the offer to speak at UNO, they would be on campus some time in April before Nebraska's May 12 primary, he said.

Another resolution changed Student Government bylaws concerning Letters of Statement.

Letters of Statement are used to congratulate or condemn people or groups the Senate singles out for recognition.

Previously, Letters of Statement had to be written, given to senators and put on the agenda 48 hours before a Senate meeting, Farquhar said.

The passed resolution makes it possible for Letters of Statement to be heard at a Senate meeting without the waiting period. In open forum, Sen. Mike Kennedy expressed his opinion on

the *Gateway* and its coverage.

"We shouldn't be afraid of the *Gateway*," Kennedy said. "I have seen better journalism come out of high schools."

"My vote stands, the ax is gonna' fall," when the *Gateway's* budget hearing comes up, Kennedy said.

The *Gateway* presents its budget to the Student Advisory Budget Committee (SABC) Thursday.

Sen. Ron Hyde, a member of SABC, urged any senator who shares Kennedy's views to attend the SABC meeting.

"It certainly would be appreciated," Hyde said.

Several vacant positions also were appointed, and one senator resigned at the meeting.

Marquita Hubbert was named the new director of the American Multi-Cultural Student agency.

Two people were appointed senators: Robin Wallace will fill the University Division seat, and John Witherspoon will fill an Arts & Sciences seat.

Dave Kerr is now the SABC student-at-large, a position held by former President/Regent candidate Dave Wiley.

Sen. Mike Henderson resigned from his University Division seat, which went into effect at the end of Thursday's meeting.

"I have consulted with several members of the Senate. My resignation is effective at the end of this meeting," Henderson said. He offered no reasons for his resignation.

ISS budget reduced

By Lori Safranek

Jody Manning, assistant director of International Student Services (ISS), presented the proposed ISS 1992-93 budget to the Student Activities Budget Commission (SABC) Thursday.

Manning originally proposed an \$8,053.25 budget for the ISS, which serves about 500 international students at UNO. Manning told SABC the budget reflected a 10 percent overall increase, based on an increasing international student enrollment.

One and one-half hours and many revisions later, SABC approved a \$7,853 preliminary budget.

Most of the changes were due to the reassigning of line items to a general festivals budget, which would cover the group's annual International Festival. Manning said more than 75 percent of the ISS budget is spent on the festival each year.

ISS's original request included a specific festivals line item of \$700, with other expected expenses for the festival spread throughout the budget. SABC Chair Cheryl Carter recommended SABC move those expenses to the festivals line item before approving it. The preliminary budgets SABC approves then must be approved by the Student Senate.

The preliminary ISS budget approved by SABC included \$1,700 for festivals. The \$1,000 was moved from the postage, duplicating, rentals, contractual services, food supplies and audio visual lines.

One of the actual reductions to ISS's proposed budget was made in the books and subscriptions line. The proposed budget asked for \$100, but SABC members questioned the amount.

"This line has not been justified," said SABC member Ron Hyde. "If the justification's there, we can see making increases, but it has to be

justified to us. If there are some definite, specific plans, please tell us."

Manning said the \$100 was planned for purchasing books about adjusting to being a foreign student living in the United States. She estimated the books would cost between \$15 and \$20 each. A subscription to the *Omaha World-Herald* was included in the line. SABC reduced the request to \$50 for books and subscriptions.

SABC member Frank Zahn, an economics professor at UNO, said he did not think the books and subscriptions line should be increased based on the fact that former ISS directors had not used that line to buy books.

Manning, who was director of the ISS for one year, attributed this to the former directors' inexperience. Manning presented the budget this year on behalf of the director, Rohit Gupta, who has been ill.

"I'm the exception among ISS directors in that I'm American," Manning said. "Coming in and stepping in to a culture, you're not automatically going to know how to operate in it."

Manning said she was not aware the budget was going to be readjusted as it was.

"If I'd known we were approaching this this way, I would have prepared the budget differently," she told SABC.

In other business, SABC accepted a new non-voting member, former student senator Mary Reynolds. Dave Kerr was accepted as a voting member of the SABC at Thursday's Student Senate meeting.

SABC had planned to hear the Council for Community and Legislative Relations (CCLR) budget at Thursday's meeting, but CCLR Director Mark Vanevenhoven was unable to attend.

CCLR's budget proposal will be heard Feb. 27, along with those of the *Gateway*, American Multi-Cultural Students, and the Outbound Ambassador program.



—Ed Carlson

Lady Mavs improve to 18-6

Sophomore Linda Schabloske, stretches out for two points in the Lady Mavs' 71-47 victory over Morningside Saturday at the UNO Fieldhouse. "It was a scruffy game," said Head Coach Cheryl Mankenberg. See story on page 9.

Competition could benefit UNO

By Lori Clausen

UNO may have the chance to advance research and economic development in Nebraska next fall.

Three projects have been submitted to the National Science Foundation, which sponsors a national competition for Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) funds.

Twenty-one projects originally were considered for submission and 4 were chosen, according to Andrew Cunningham of Gov. Ben Nelson's policy office. Two were combined to reach the final three projects,

Cunningham said.

"The projects were reviewed by 15 nationally prominent external reviewers who have experience in wide areas of science," Cunningham said. "The national reviewers also had the benefit of written reviews that were sent out to other researchers."

"It's the standard peer review used by the federal research agencies," Cunningham said. "They have to validate that the proposals are aiming at a need and that the projects have the capacity and competence of doing what (is) proposed."

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LETTERS/OPINIONS

From the editor's desk

Notice: Gateway isn't up for sale

The recent controversy surrounding the Equal Press Resolution in Student Senate, which did not get out of committee on Thursday, has brought some issues to my attention.

First of all, there seems to be some misunderstanding on what the *Gateway* does, how it is funded and what rights the paper has.

What do we do at the *Gateway*? To begin with, the staff and I put in a lot of hours for not a lot of pay. Everyone on the staff could be making more money for less time working at a telemarketing job.

Why, then, do we choose to work here? Experience and dedication. Those are the only two possible explanations, since anything else would make us certifiably insane.

Deadlines, at two a week, last a total of four days — Sunday, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. Which leaves us Tuesday, Friday and Saturday to catch up on lost sleep, work on the next issue, do homework, write papers, study for tests and go to classes without worrying about the eternal question of whether or not the paper is going to get finished on time. In addition to families we have to pay attention

to once and a while, most staff members work other part-time jobs.

We cover on-campus or off-campus issues that are of concern to UNO. Do we cover everything? Can we cover everything? No. We have a limited number of writers and there is also the limitation of 24 hours in a day.

So, how do we decide what's important? Obvious to us, but perhaps not to others is space. There is only so much space per issue and somewhere along the line things have to go by the wayside. We also write about meetings such as Student Senate, Faculty Senate and the Student Activities Budget Commission (SABC). Why? Because there is no other place for you to get that information easily — the local city paper does not care that Student Senate decided to put up shuttle bus shelters.

We cover stories we think would be interesting to you, and herein lies some of the misunderstanding. Less than 10 people are trying to decide what is news for 16,000.

No, not all of the stories we print will be of interest to everyone. But are all the stories in any publication interesting to everyone who

reads it?

Next issue. How is the *Gateway* funded? In part, through your Fund A student fees. Right now, \$1.67 per student goes to the *Gateway* as a subscription fee — 30 percent of our budget. The other 70 percent comes from advertisers. SABC hears our budget every two years (this year is one of those years) to recommend to the Student Senate if the \$1.67 stays the same, is raised or is decreased.

The *Gateway* is supposed to be funded based on one issue: Do we do the job we are supposed to do (i.e., do we get 70 issues out a year)? That answer is yes.

No matter what — snowstorms, power outages, illness or the entire staff walking out — the *Gateway* is on the stands.

We are not supposed to be funded at all — in any way, shape or form — based on content or editorial decisions.

What rights do we have? All of the same rights guaranteed to a free press by the First Amendment. There is no governmental control, of any kind, over what gets printed. The only person who has the "right" to censor or decide not to run a story is the editor. The University of Nebraska Board of Regents set up the Student Press Guidelines to allow us those freedoms and a subscription fee from student fees.

The editor is hired each semester by the Publications Committee. While it does not have the right to pre-publication restraint, the board can fire the editor if warranted.

So, you see, we are not totally free from repercussions for what happens here.

Just in case you don't believe what I am saying:

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sity of Nebraska at Omaha Student Publications Committee on Tuesdays and Fridays during the spring and fall semesters and on Fridays during the summer.

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This, and more, is printed for your reading enjoyment inside the staff box every issue.

What this all boils down to is that the smoothly worded threats from certain members of Student Government such as, "The *Gateway* should be de-funded," or "Heidi, if you do cover us in a better light, I'll push for full funding of the *Gateway*," are nothing more than hot air.

We fulfill our part of the bargain. The paper is on the stands when it is supposed to be.

Telling me to "play ball" isn't going to work. I am not up for sale and neither is the *Gateway*.

If you don't like what you see, apply for my job — the position opens up the end of this semester.

Heidi Jeanne Hess
Gateway Editor-in-Chief

Dear Editor:

GLSO is a social and political group

Dear Editor:

We are the GLSO and we have a few things we feel need to be addressed. For starters, our political existence. From the beginning, our group was intended to address (sic) political and social topics facing gay and lesbian students. Unfortunately, earlier leaders studiously avoided political concerns due to the fact UNO is a computer (sic) campus.

This, to a degree is understandable (sic) but present active membership feels that a change in direction is needed to confront issues of pressing importance, such as homophobia. Not only in the community at large, but perhaps most tragically, in the gay and lesbian community.

This is reflected not only in the policies of the ROTC, but in the hysterical fear of "outing" on campus.

Being out is not outing. Being political is not outing. Some of our members have chosen not to live their lives in the closet. Although we do solemnly (sic) respect the decision of those who have chosen to remain in the closet, we feel that our decision (is) equally valid as well.

This said, we continue to provide a social outlet for the gay and lesbian student community through the Stonewall Social Club (and the) The Coalition for the Advancement of Gay and Lesbian Endeavors (sic) is a separate (sic) group under the GLSO.

The two groups were formed to better fulfill the varying (sic) needs of the student community and live up to the GLSO constitution and the promises presented therein.

If you are interested in only one of the groups, you need not feel pressed to join in both groups. For further information about either group, contact the Student Activities office on the second floor of the Student Center.

The Active Members of GLSO

Editor's Note: The members of GLSO did not list their names on the letter.

UNO: mops, chalk notes and white-out

Dear Editor:

At 9 a.m. Friday morning, I was on my way to accounting class from the Durham Science Center.

As I left Durham, another evil chalk-writer (sarcasm) had struck.

As I continued on, I read the messages and chuckled as did everyone else.

I thought nothing of it, until ... When I reached the Student Center two gentlemen were outside, with a mop and bucket, mopping the cement.

Yes, mopping.

There were multiple wet spots with just one note partially remaining.

The chalk assassins were working on the first word, but the rest said "... are visions."

One person walking by asked the mopper what the first word was. The mopper said he did not read it.

And now we cannot read it.

If you, or anyone, knows what was written on the sidewalk, please (sic) let me know.

The curiosity is killing this cat.

I would love to know why my tuition is being used to mop a sidewalk, or was it the creation of an ice-skating rink, seeing as how the temperature was 24 degrees Fahrenheit — after all, there is that rumor that the Olympics is leaving France for the campus of UNO.

What's next?

Is the administration going to start buying white-out by the millions so they can cover up all the letters to the editor and Kent's and Tara's columns?

Maybe they'll have a *Gateway*-burning party.

Mark LaCrosse
UNO Student

Editor's Note: The *Gateway* was unable to find out what the message said but would like to encourage any student who read the message to let us know what was written.

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OPINION/EDITORIAL

Gateway vs. Student Senate

Are they adversaries?

Gee, things seem to have livened up since the last issue — and the last editorial. If we ever wondered if people read the editorials, we have the answer: a resounding "yes."

Friday's issue, which hit the stands late Thursday, fell into the hands of a few of the Student Senators of this campus after their meeting. This became obvious when some of the staff members were visiting the Dundee Dell and were accosted by members of the Senate, who were more than willing to comment on our comments ... Geez, can't even go

Not all of the dialogue was negative, though, and something good did come out of it. Some of the senators actually sat down and talked to us rather than make broad, sweeping generalizations of journalistic integrity and high school journalism. Gasp! What will happen next? Chicken Little, is the sky going to fall?

Ideas were bantered around and hopefully both the senators and the Gateway staffers went home that night with a little better understanding of the other side of the situation.

In addition, and perhaps most importantly, some of us discovered that the two entities do have some things in common: concern for this university, its students and dedication to UNO. We just go about it in a different way.

Hopefully some of the Senate members carried that knowledge away from the Dundee Dell. We know we did.

It is unlikely the Gateway and Student Government will ever have a friendly relationship, but a working relationship — complete with a little more tolerance — would be nice for everyone concerned and for the university as a whole.

The opinion/editorial page of a newspaper is to inspire and provoke thought, and give an alternate opinion on issues. It doesn't matter if you wholeheartedly agree with it, as long as you think about it.

So, think about it. This is your university, not ours and not Student Government's. Both of us are here for you. Take advantage of it, and us.

This may be the only time in your life when your elected representatives actually listen to you one-on-one and your newspaper actually cares about what you think.

It's your decision.

STAFF EDITORIAL ENEMIES

get a drink without being flagged down. It's so nice to be loved and admired.

One of us was even called "honey." This endearment was loved so much the staffer barely knew what to do with herself ... that is, of course, outside of a seething look which could not be ignored. Shortly following, a wadded-up Gateway was tossed at us — that's OK, we have more.

Yet, besides these infantile displays of disgust, other feedback was mixed — much to our amazement.

Some people on the Senate actually liked the editorial ... We honestly believed the entire group of them would form a posse and come burn the annex down to the ground and demand lynching the editor. Of course, there were some of them who wanted to see us dangling in the wind for what was printed, but, hey, they can write letters to the editor.

Nixon started quotas

I thought affirmative action and quotas were the same thing. They were only plans to counter the hundreds of years of discrimination dumped on women and minorities.

We live in a sexist and racist society. I think our government is going to have to intervene and tell the Conserva-tyrants, who happen to own just about everything, they must stop hiring and educating only fellow Conserva-tyrants.

But, inside, I have my doubts.

I don't know what would be a better way, but terms being substituted for "quota," such as

still justly believe that you have been completely fair.

"... Men and women of all races are born with the same range of abilities. But ability is not just the product of birth. Ability is stretched or stunted by the family that you live with, and the neighborhood you live in — by the school you go to and the poverty or the richness of your surroundings. It is the product of 100 unseen forces playing upon the little infant, the child, and finally the man (woman)."

We all can agree with the above statement.

One day, this Garden of Eden will exist with the help of affirmative action.

Where did Democrats go wrong with this? Quotas?

Conserva-tyrants, take cover. Who's to blame for this

"quota" mess and numbers game that y'all bitch about so much?

Former president Richard Nixon is to blame. His secretary of labor, George Schultz, issued the first administrative order demanding quotas in the construction industry. Then the Democrats picked up the ball.

Quotas are irritating a lot of people, but what is the alternative? Can we go back to pre-1964 days?

Quotas will be unnecessary when we elect a REAL education president that stops sucking money out of the last resort — the educational system — to try to wipe out ignorance.

William L. Taylor said in the Fall 1978 issue of *American Educator*: "A society that, in the name of the ideal, (prevented) racially conscious remedies would not be truly color-blind but morally blind."

No one wants to be handed a job when other people are more qualified. That's charity. But remove these policies now and an avalanche of bigotry would take us back down the mountain we've been climbing for the last 20 years.

TO THE LEFT WITH TARA MUIR

"reverse discrimination" and "preferential treatment," create hate. Not that hate ever went away, but it's resurfacing in the forms of David Duke, the Skinheads, the Ku Klux Klan and a tidal wave of backlash against feminism.

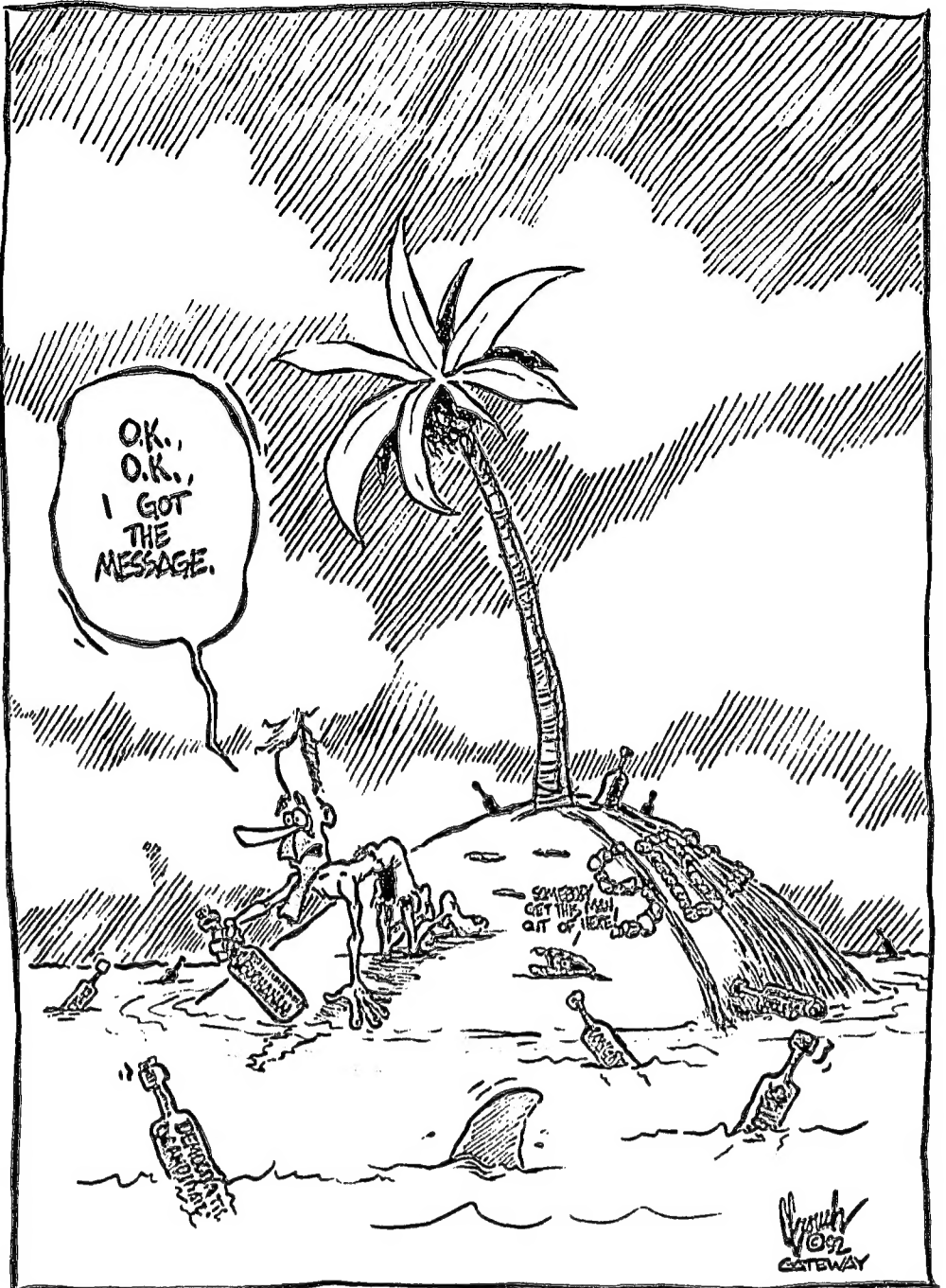
Forgive my ignorance, but affirmative action and quotas are not the same thing!

Affirmative action, programs aimed at heavier spending on education and especially Head Start originally were products of the Johnson Administration.

The Civil Rights Act of 1964 meant hiring and other decisions were to be made without regard to race, color, religion, etc. (should have included gender and sexual orientation, too.) The intent was to create equality in education and training before people ever got to the starting blocks of job-hunting.

President Lyndon Johnson said (please substitute "him" with "him or her"):

"You do not take a person who, for years, has been hobbled by chains and liberate him, bring him up to the starting line of a race and then say, 'you are free to compete with all the others,' and



Homophobic no more

Four years ago I was told I was homophobic. Four years ago I called homosexuals dykes, queers, fags and perverts.

Four years ago I was a freshman.

During the last few months I've been asking myself, "What's the point? Why am I wasting my time in college?"

I look at my friends who didn't go to college and I see guys who live comfortably. They're buying houses, driving new cars and working 9-5 jobs, all without having stepped foot on to a college campus. So why am I wasting all this time and money in college?

What has it really done for me?

Taking my education at face value, I would say not much.

I spent hour after hour rack-ing my brains in chemistry, physics, history and algebra, and now I couldn't tell you what the chemical formula for hydrochloric acid is or who fought in the Boer War. But what I have learned through all of this is something that can't be put down in books.

I've learned about people.

They say hate and prejudice are learned traits. If this is true, I was a fast learner. All it took for me to hate all homosexuals was one night four years ago.

When I was 18, and some friends snuck me into the Metro, I felt like I had completed a rite of passage.

Of course now you wouldn't catch me dead in a place like that, but back then sneaking in to any bar made me feel like James Bond getting into the Kremlin.

But any thrill that I felt when I passed the bouncer was doused 15 minutes later when I tried to make my through the crowd to the bar.

As I squeezed through a gap, I felt a hand on my leg. At first I thought it was just "incidental contact," as they say in football, but as it began to grope, I realized that this was no accident.

Most guys wouldn't mind this kind of contact in a bar — from a member of the opposite sex. But when I looked up and saw a drunken, effeminate male, my shock meter peaked.

It took me a couple of seconds to realize what had happened, but when it registered, all I remember was lashing out and the feel of his face crumbling beneath my fists.

Fifteen minutes after being introduced to my first bar, the same bouncer that let me in was dragging me out.

From that point on, homosexuals weren't

TO THE RIGHT WITH KENT WALTON

just another minority. They were all sick, demented freaks who walked around in drag all the time. They were fags and lesbians who deserved to get AIDS and die.

They were everything but people.

But, as the saying goes, that was then ...

What changed my feelings? Actually, I really couldn't tell you.

No — I'm not stepping out of the closet and saying I'm gay. I'm still straight and married.

But I am going to admit that my attitude about all people has changed.

UNO has gotten a bad reputation over the years because it is "just a commuter campus." But there is something to be said for that.

A college like UNO draws people from every background imaginable, and as we struggle through classes and tests, we're also interacting and learning about people.

Even though I probably could get along in life without ever knowing what happens when you mix sodium chloride with water, I realize now there is more to a college education than what is taught in a book.

NEWS CLIPS

Seminar focuses on non-violent methods

The 12th annual Peacemaking Workshop will be in Lincoln March 20-21. The event will focus on non-violence.

Leaders for the event will be Walter Wink, professor of Biblical interpretation at Auburn

Methodist Church at 50th Street and St. Paul Avenue. The public is welcome. For more information, contact Reverend Aaron Black at (402) 466-1906.

Iowan to read poetry

Mary Swander will read some of her poetry Wednesday in the Dodge Room of the Student Center at 7:30 p.m.

Swander has published two full-length books of poetry, "Succession" and "Driving the Body Back." Her poems have appeared in such

periodicals as *The Nation*, *New Yorker* and *Poetry*.

A native Iowan, Swander received an MFA degree from the University of Iowa and currently heads the creative writing program at Iowa State University. She has been the recipient of a number of grants and awards, including a National Endowment for the Arts Award in

Literature, two Ingram Merrill grants, the Literary Arts Award from the Chicago Public Library and the Nation-Discovery Award.

The reading is sponsored by the Friends of UNO Writer's Workshop. Admission is \$3 for the general public, and \$1 for UNO students and staff.

Computers can be a pain in the neck, back

"Preventing Pain and Injuries Associated with the Computer," a one-hour lecture sponsored by UNO's Fitness Center, will be Feb. 29 from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Daniel Blanke, a professor in the school of Health, Physical Education and Recreation (HPER), will discuss and demonstrate principles to use in creating a healthy work environment. The lecture will be given in Room 102 of the HPER building.

Nebraska Decathlon team picked Saturday

The winners of Saturday's Academic Decathlon, which was held at UNO, are:

- 1st place — Papillion/La Vista High School
- 2nd place — Omaha North High School
- 3rd place — Creighton Prep High School

The Papillion/La Vista team will represent Nebraska in the national competition in Boise, Idaho, April 10-12.

Evening service held on Sundays

A Sunday church service for students will be held in the Huston Memorial Chapel of First Christian Church through the spring semester. The service begins at 7 p.m.

IN THE AREA ...

Theological Seminary, and his wife, June Keener-Wink, a teacher of body movement and a Bible study leader.

Walter Wink's speech in the opening session, "Non-violence for the Violent," will begin at 7:30 p.m. March 20. It will explore the path "between absolute pacifism and just war theory."

The workshop will be held at the First United

Wrong number almost lands Kearney student in jail

KEARNEY (CPS) — A University of Nebraska at Kearney (UNK) freshman simply dialed the wrong number — but the mix-up nearly got him arrested.

The student newspaper, *The Antelope*, reported that Eric Kohles inadvertently dialed the sheriff's office on Jan. 16 when he was trying to reach a friend.

When a woman answered the phone, "Buffalo County Sheriff's Office, may I help you," Kohles said he thought his friend was playing a joke.

Kohles responded, "I just killed some people on the sixth floor of CTW (his dorm)."

Kohles said he hung up after he realized he really was speaking with the sheriff's department. A few minutes later, Kohles said he walked down the hall to tell his friends what had happened and saw police officers walking toward him.

"These guys in suits came up and asked me if I'd heard gunshots," Kohles told *The Antelope*.

Kohles told the officers what had happened, but said he

was questioned for about 45 minutes. Kohles said six officers and two resident assistants responded to his call.

"It was just (a) one out of a million chance thing," he told the paper. "My advice to other people is to be careful when you dial. It's pretty easy to get confused."

The sheriff's office did not file charges.

Here's some hair-raising terminology

SAN RAFAEL, Calif. (CPS) — Sorority Bob is not some misguided freshman. And Nice Do is not a compliment.

That's the word from the Supercuts, Inc. on the latest hairstyles among college students.

"Students come in asking for all kinds of cuts and styles, using all kinds of terminology," said Karen Anderson, director of communications for Supercuts.

Sorority Bob is campus vernacular for a women's hairstyle — shoulder-length hair, worn straight, with or without bangs.

High and Tight is a reference to today's version of a crew-cut. Mall Hair, which needs no further description, is also known as Big Hair, a carry-over from high school. It is definitely out of style in college, Anderson said.

Other descriptions:

FRAT DO: The men's GQ look, usually short, neatly cut and combed.

ZIPPER HEAD: Hair parted down the middle. You figure.

NICE DO: A slam on unattractive styles, usually followed

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by the word — NOT!

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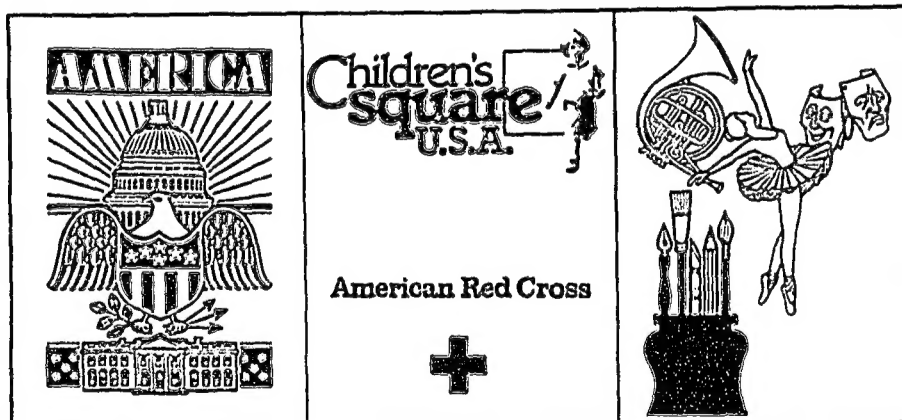
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UNO students getting younger

Kids spend day on campus

By Brenda Wilson

You may have noticed a small invasion of youthful faces at UNO Friday. Not to fear, they were supposed to be here.

Approximately 106 fourth-grade students from Omaha's Fontenelle Elementary School visited UNO as part of the school's Early Awareness Program.

The visit was a part of a program started last fall to spark interest in young students to begin thinking of possible future careers.

The program, the first of its kind in Nebraska, was put together by a committee formed by Jeanine Phelan of Omaha's Educational Planning Center. According to Richard Harrison, admissions counselor and early awareness committee member, part of the program's intent was to plant the seed early in the minds of children, so they will know the steps necessary in planning for college.

"Education is seen as a continuing process to obtain the goals that an individual sets for oneself," Harrison said.

The students first met with Richard Hoover, vice chancellor of educational and student services; Michael Abdouch, director of student services and Mayor P.J. Morgan, as well as attending a chemistry demonstration and planetarium show at Durham Science Center.

The young audience had the opportunity to discover more about college by asking Hoover questions. The youngsters asked such questions as "How long does it take to become a doctor?" and, "Is your job hard?"

The students had a brown-bag lunch with some UNO students, and then separated into groups for the chemistry demonstration and planetarium show.

Before the students came to UNO, they were given a questionnaire to inspire them to think about possible career choices.

The children also filled out mock-applications to the university and were given "Look to the Future" T-shirts as an admissions certificate.

Following the UNO visit, the children will participate in two follow-up sessions with their parents to discuss what the children learned from their experience and how to save money for their future education.

The program was sponsored by Educational Services, the Educational Planning Center, Creighton University and Packers Bank, as well as UNO and Fontenelle Elementary.

Plans to extend the project are under way, Harrison said.

"It is hoped that the program will start here and spread throughout the state," he said.

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The projects would involve combining forces from the University of Nebraska, Creighton University and Hastings College. Private businesses, such as Kodak and IBM, also will contribute.

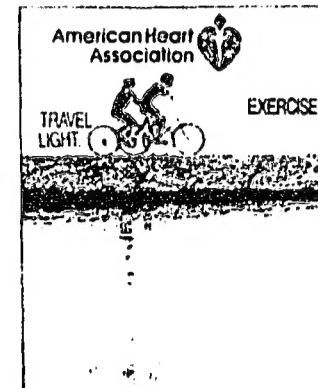
The first project will examine different material and some potential commercial applications. The second will look at metals in living systems' essential biochemical reaction. The last project will be done in connection with the Henry Doorly Zoo. It will examine animal behavior and communication, feeding and reproduction.

The proposals went to Washington at the end of February. Selections should wind up this summer, possibly in July, according to Cunningham. The funding, if given, would start in late September or October, Cunningham said.

The National Science Foundation may exercise some budget control.

"They could allocate less or they may direct that some projects be fine-tuned," Cunningham said.

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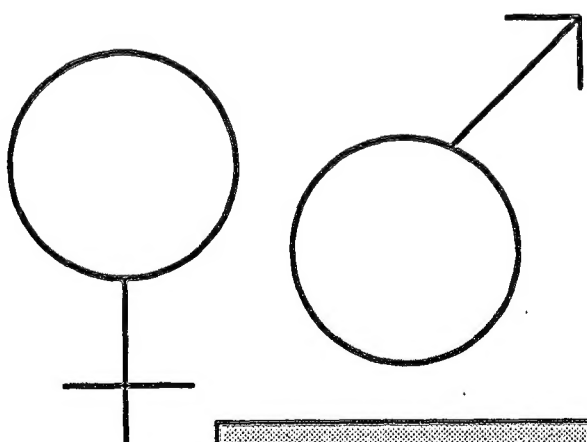
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AIDS patient concentrates on life

By Elizabeth Merrill

Last year, Joe Eck graduated from college and planned for a new beginning in his life. A few months later, he prepared for the end of his life.

Last May, Eck, 25, received his degree in business management. Four months later, he was diagnosed with full-blown Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

"I came out of college and jumped into an entry-level position and had a lot of dreams for the future about how much money I was going to make off the money I spent on college," Eck said. "Obviously, now I don't make anything off my degree."

Doctors estimate that Eck contracted the virus five or six years ago, probably when he was entering his freshman year of college.

In the four years before he was diagnosed with AIDS, he had experienced numerous colds and flus, which he found unusual, as he previously had "never been sick a day in (his) life."

Over the last year he has experienced many more severe symptoms, such as chills, high fever, nausea and diarrhea. One of the most outward signs of his illness was weight loss, as he dropped 47 pounds in a two-month span. He recalls spending sleepless nights plagued with severe fatigue and high fevers.

"They were so bad you could have rung a gallon (of sweat) from my mattress," Eck said.

After Eck was diagnosed with AIDS, he started AZT treatments, which have assisted in slowing the progression of the virus and enabled him to gain 17 pounds.

Although the drug has a few adverse side effects, such as headaches and stomach pain, Eck said, "The benefits of AZT far outweigh the side effects because they are not as severe as the pain the disease causes."

Eck said the last six months have not only been filled with the physical pain of the disease, but also the emotional stress of dealing with other people's reactions to his illness.

"Before I was diagnosed I had an address book of like 70 friends that had been life-long friends, and now the number of people that I know from before that are still my friends is about three," he said.

Eck said most of his old friends lost contact with him when they discovered he had AIDS because they were afraid of contracting the disease from him.

"I'm not any danger to anybody," he said. "They're not going to get (AIDS) from drinking after me, they're not going to get it from sitting on the same toilet seat that I sit on, from hugging me, shaking my hand or kissing me."

"My really good friends are understanding and educated enough to know that you're not going to get AIDS from casual contact," Eck said. "A lot of the friends that chose not to have anything to do with me are not educated nor do they want to be educated. Those are the kind of people that are ignorant and are more prone to get AIDS."

Eck said he believes education is the key to prevention of the spread of the AIDS virus, and he visits high schools, colleges and churches discussing AIDS education; promoting "safe sex" methods.

"When I talk to them, I try to relate it to them," he said. "I ask them, 'What if you got this; how would you feel?' I talk to them about their dreams being shattered."

Eck can relate to the students he speaks to because up until a few years ago, he shared their attitudes. In the mid-1980s, when actor Rock Hudson died of AIDS and the disease first came to national consciousness, he viewed it as a disease that would never affect him.

"I used to think, 'It'll never happen to me,' and that's probably why I have it," he said. "I was in the Midwest and that wasn't going to happen here. Way back then I said, 'God, that's too bad Rock Hudson is dying of AIDS, but I'll never get it.'"

Eck also said the old myth that AIDS only infects the four h's — homosexuals, Haitians, hemophiliacs and heroin users — is no longer valid, as more than 75 percent of worldwide AIDS cases have been transmitted through heterosexual intercourse.

"There is no more risk group," he said. "Everyone is at risk. It's everybody's disease and anyone can get it."



—Eric Francis

"I used to think, 'It'll never happen to me,' and that's probably why I have it. I was in the Midwest and that wasn't going to happen here. Way back then I said, 'God, that's too bad Rock Hudson is dying of AIDS, but I'll never get it,'" said 25 year-old AIDS patient Joe Eck.

Eck said Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) testing is important for people who exhibit risk behaviors.

"If more people were finding out earlier that they were diagnosed HIV-positive, they wouldn't be passing it on to other people," he said.

The Nebraska AIDS Project (NAP) conducts confidential HIV testing and offers assistance for those who are HIV-positive or are infected with the AIDS virus.

Wesley Perry, a NAP board member, said the HIV test is accompanied by counseling. The tested individual must wait two or three weeks for the results. If the person tests negative, NAP will recommend another test be taken in six months, to allow for a "window period." The window period is the amount of time needed to elapse before it is certain HIV is not present.

If the individual tests positive, doctor and support group referrals are made. Eck said support groups are important to people infected with the AIDS virus because it is a source of feedback between people fighting the same illness.

"They offer a place I can go and say almost anything I want

to say and let out what's going on inside of me," he said.

Eck said he has established many friendships with people in the support groups, and, subsequently, witnessed many of his friends die of AIDS.

"One of the hardest things about this disease is watching someone who has not lived even half of their life who has so much potential and so many dreams wither away," he said. "When somebody (who) has lived 80 or 90 years dies, you say, 'Well, they lived a good life.' When someone has lived 25, 30 or 40 years dies, you say, 'What a waste.' I think that's the best way to describe this disease. It's a waste."

By witnessing the deaths of his friends, Eck has had the ability to come to terms with his own death, which included arranging his own funeral.

"I have dealt with death through seeing a lot of my friends die," he said. "Being diagnosed myself, I knew that if I was going to go on living, I had to deal with my own fear of death. By dealing with that I realized that I have a lot of life left and I think I lead a better life because I'm not afraid to die."

Pulse

Information and support offered at group meetings

Men learn to cope with impotency issues

By Deanne Nelson

What do penile injections, vacuum pumps, inflatable implants and a University of Nebraska Medical Center-sponsored program have in common? They all have to do with relieving impotence, or at least dealing with it.

The Med Center-sponsored groups Impotents Anonymous (I.A.) and I-ANON (for partners) meet together every third Tuesday of the month at University Hospital. They are support groups for men and their partners who are among the estimated 10 million in the United States affected by impotency.

"If you have a problem with impotency, it doesn't mean you're not a man," said Mike, who has been attending the meetings for more than a year. He acts as facilitator of the meetings.

"I'd rather be impotent than an alcoholic, wife-beater or gambler," he said, "because I can get help."

The help he speaks of is both physical, through medically-approved methods, and psychological, through the Med Center-sponsored meetings.

Medical methods which may help in chronic impotence include such treatments as penile implants, hormonal medications, vascular dilation, vessel surgery, mental health therapy, counseling, and changing habits such as smoking or alcohol consumption.

Mike said when he first realized his impotency was chronic, he thought "Why me, God?" and felt there was no hope. After attending an I.A. meeting, he said, he left the meeting feeling much better than when he came in. And, although he is being helped by the injections he administers to himself to obtain and

sustain an erection, he still continues to attend the I.A. meetings.

"It makes us feel good when we have a bunch of new people here we can show there's a beacon of light at the end of the tunnel," he said.

Attending the group's last meeting were 10 male and four female members; Dr. Rei K. Chiou, a urologist from the Med Center; and one visitor.

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—Mike, facilitator of Impotents Anonymous

Mike said people have "come from all over" to attend the meetings, adding that one person even had travelled 175 miles to attend.

"They've come from Columbus, Shenandoah (Iowa), Red Oak (Iowa) and Tekamah," he said.

Mike said the meetings include presentations about medical remedies by physicians and discussions of attendees' feelings.

"Twenty to 30 years ago, everyone thought it was all psychological," he said. Subsequent research has proven different, he said, since current figures show almost 80 percent of impotency being caused by physical problems, with "psychological overtones."

The physical causes include diabetes mellitus, blood vessel diseases, pelvic fractures and surgery, erectile tissue disease, hormonal irregularities, alcoholism and drug abuse, neurological diseases, chronic liver or kidney disease, blood pressure and medicines, among others. The psychological problems, or "overtones," include anxiety, self-doubt, fear, tension and others.

Mike also said the belief by many that impotency only affects old men is a myth. He said men of all age groups, including some under 20 years old, are affected.

Mike and others at the meeting were in agreement that the first thing someone who is experiencing impotency should do is to consult a reputable and reliable urologist. They said it is important to specify "exactly what you're going in for" when making an appointment.

"It's kind of hard at first to call," Mike said. "Don't feel embarrassed, because it's something they (medical personnel) deal with every day."

Another thing those present at the meeting agreed is helpful is attending I.A. and I-ANON meetings for support from others who have experienced, and are experiencing, the effects of impotence.

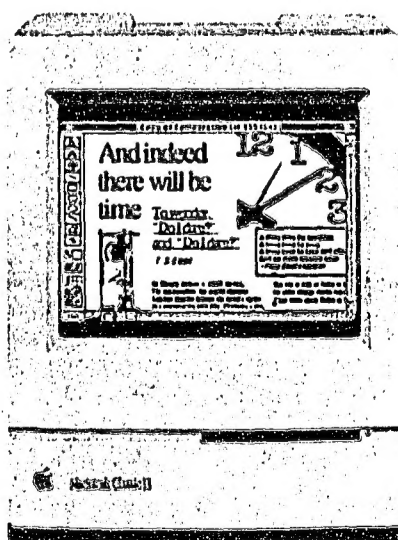
"The purpose of the meetings is to get new information and support," Mike said.

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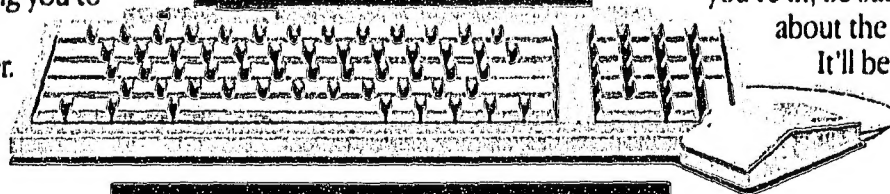
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New Hampshire results had few surprises

Tuesday's New Hampshire primary ended with few surprises. The polls prior to the vote were pretty accurate. The question now becomes, "What happens next?"

Paul Tsongas and Bill Clinton are the front-runners and the rest of the field must play catch-up. There isn't much time left to campaign before Super Tuesday on March 10, when 12 states hold primaries or caucuses.

I have looked at the situation from every angle, so here is my spin on what we are likely to see.

George Bush won in New Hampshire, but it was a narrow victory. Pat Buchanan gave the president more trouble than bargained for. The next day, Bush put on his best face and tried to tell everyone he had beaten Buchanan by 18 points and was in good shape. Really?

Bush won by six points, not 18. Ten percent of the vote went to fringe candidates as a protest of both Bush AND Buchanan. So it really was Bush vs. the Opposition by a score of 53-47.

Bush will win the nomination — there is little doubt about that — but what will this battle with Buchanan cost in November?

There is much discontent in the Republican Party about where it should be headed. Buchanan is a thorn in Bush's side and could mess things up if Bush spends too much time campaigning against him instead of the Democrats. Those who supported Bush in '88 are having second thoughts, and Bush's re-election in November will depend largely on whether or not the Reagan-Bush Democrats come back to the Democratic Party in large numbers. The independent voters could go either way.

On the Democratic side, Tsongas proved he could win. Many early forecasts had him winning simply because it was his home turf, but there was more to it than that. Clinton led Tsongas before the marital infidelity and draft-dodging uproar. The controversies probably cost him a few votes, but people in New Hampshire wanted to hear what he had to say, so he ended up a close second.

Tsongas' strength is in the eastern states. He has little or no organization in the South to battle Clinton. He is gathering more

ELECTION '92 OPINION BY MIKE JACOBS

money at this point because of his win in New Hampshire, but faces a tough road the rest of the way.

Critics consider Tsongas un-charismatic and not tough enough to face Bush in November. They may be right, but New Hampshire showed it doesn't much care for what the critics think.

Clinton is well-positioned to win the nomination. All he has to do is get a majority of the Southern vote on Super Tuesday and head west. He could wrap it up early or, depending on what Bob Kerrey or Tom Harkin do, this could go all the way to California on June 2.

Clinton is a strong speaker. Not only does he hold the audience's attention better than most other candidates, he also

has a huge bankroll to pay for television ads. This will be important leading up to Super Tuesday to get his message out. It is his nomination to win or lose at this point.

Kerrey needs to win. He finished third in New Hampshire with 12 percent of the vote. To challenge Clinton on March 10, Kerrey not only has to win in South Dakota, but win consistently in the Midwest. A poll conducted by Political Media Research Inc. and printed in Saturday's *Omaha World-Herald* showed Kerrey with 26 percent, Clinton with 16 percent and Harkin with 15 percent.

Harkin must win in South Dakota as well, and he must gain the support of blue-collar workers in the South if he has any hope of challenging Clinton. He may do well in more liberal states like Minnesota, but faces an uphill battle.

Jerry Brown finished fifth in New Hampshire with 9 percent of the vote. His is not so much of a campaign as it is a cause. He is relying solely on the number of people he can get to donate to his candidacy. He has limited campaign contributions to \$100 and hawks his number (1-800-426-1112) every chance he gets. The key to Brown getting the nomination is to capture the protest vote against the White House and get enough people to believe they can really take back a government taken over by career politicians corrupted by money and greed.

That's my spin on things today. Of course, all this could change radically in the next two weeks, so don't be surprised if I come back next time with a whole new scenario and a lot of explaining to do if things don't pan out.

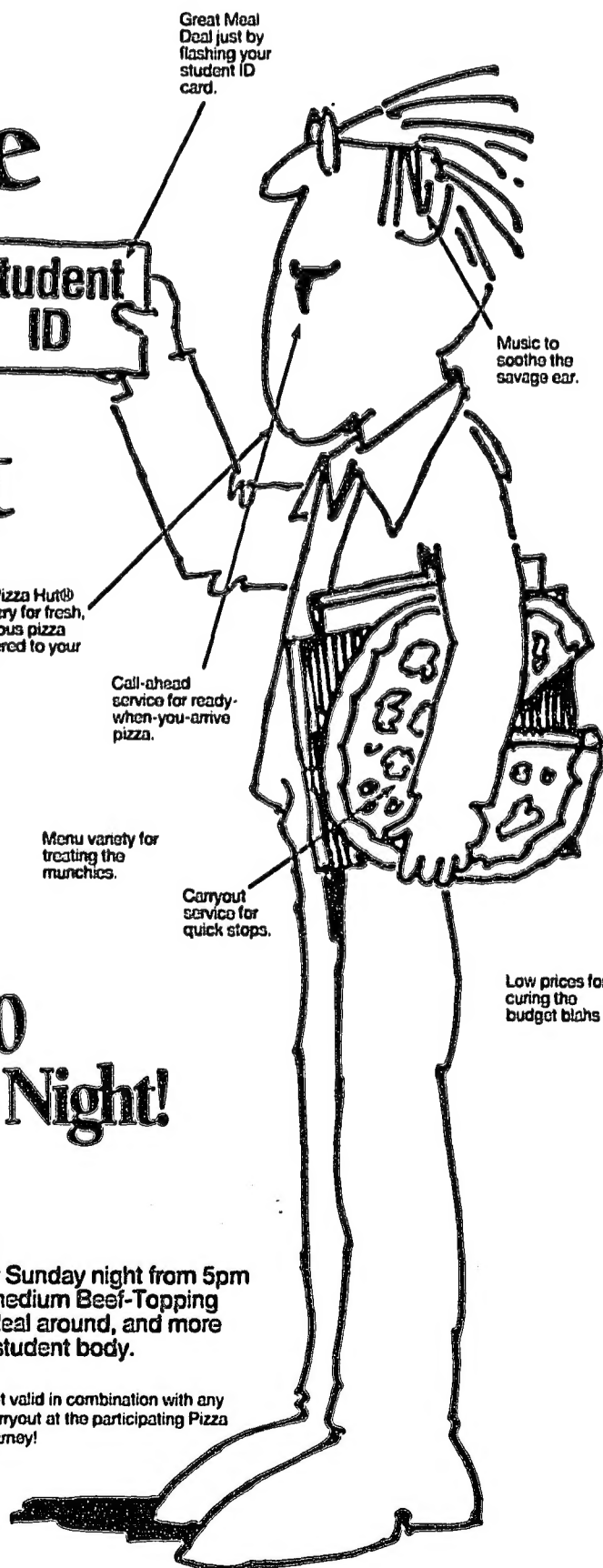
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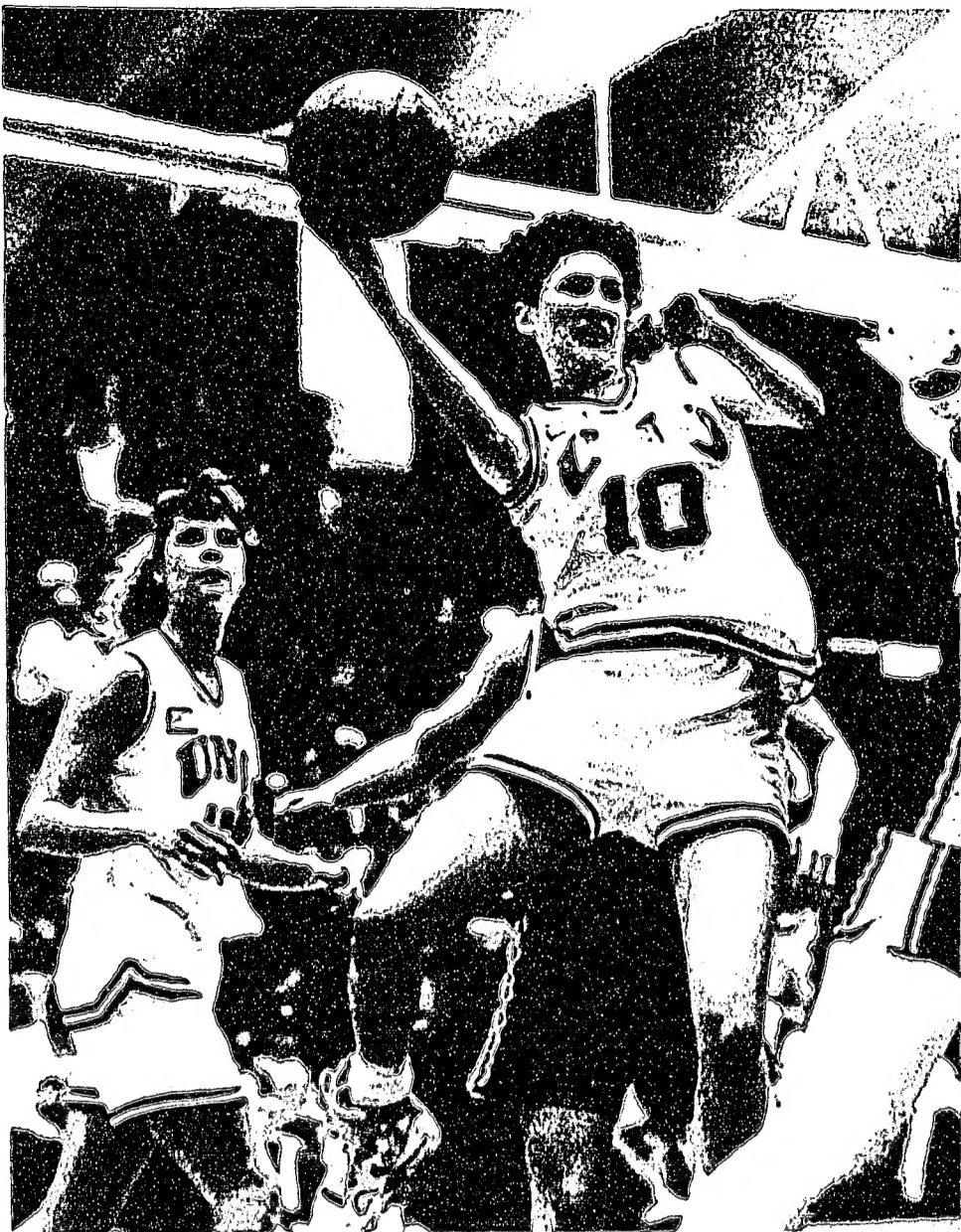
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SPORTS

Lady Mavs rout foes with relentless scoring



—Ed Carlson

Lisa Rath, No. 10, tries to keep the ball in-bounds against Morningside. "Lisa likes to be like a little gnat. If there's anything we need to do with Lisa, (it) is to calm her down," UNO Head Coach Cherri Mankenberg said.

By Daren Schrat

The winning streak is now at four games.

The UNO Lady Maverick basketball team prepared for its road trip to North Dakota by defeating the University of South Dakota on Friday and Morningside College on Saturday.

Against the South Dakota Coyotes, the Lady Mavs jumped ahead by six points after Sandy Skradski scored three quick baskets.

The Coyotes could not catch the Lady Mavs despite a three-point goal by Sherri Bitter and six first-half points each by Jodi Pipes and Susan McEntee.

The Lady Mavs built a first-half lead that never shrank below five points during the last 5:41 of the half. Kim Priest struck from long distance, hitting a 15-footer and another from 17 feet in succession. Priest's hot shooting rubbed off on fellow senior Tricia Floyd as she hit two three-pointers to help put UNO ahead 35-27 at halftime.

"She, Floyd, has been looking to score more. We told her at halftime to 'look for your shot,'" UNO Head Coach Cherri Mankenberg said.

Although the Lady Mavs appeared to be in control of the first half, Mankenberg was not satisfied with the Lady Mavs' performance.

"We let South Dakota do what they wanted on offense and that is not the way we play," she said.

In the second half, the Lady Mavs stepped up a notch as Linda Schabloske and Priest scored from 15 feet and Amy Noel added a 10-foot shot to put the Lady Mavs ahead by 10.

Schabloske's smoking gun did not relent as she hit another from 15 feet and again from eight, putting UNO up 47-33.

After South Dakota called a time-out, the Lady Mavs picked up where they left off. Priest and Floyd hit from 17 and 20 feet, respectively. Another 20-footer from Priest gave UNO a commanding 20-point lead.

The Lady Mavs never looked back as they

maintained a lead which never went under 17, cruising to a 80-60 victory.

UNO's scoring was led by Skradski's 22 points and 16 rebounds.

"The only way Skradski could get to score points was off the boards," Mankenberg said. "She'll probably have claw marks on her."

Floyd's hot shooting, four of five including three of four from three-point land, netted 17 points. She was perfect from the free-throw line with six points.

Priest added 14 more and Schabloske contributed 11 points.

The Morningside Chiefs tried to snap the Lady Mavs' winning streak the next night, but their 29.6 percent shooting couldn't get the job done.

The Lady Mavs started slow, but Priest demonstrated she had not cooled off from the previous night as she scored from 17 feet twice and again from 10 feet. Floyd scored from 10 and Skradski scored six straight points to put the Lady Mavs in control.

An 18-foot shot from Amy Noel at the buzzer put UNO ahead 27-15 at intermission.

Morningside shot only 17.2 percent from the floor in the first half.

Coach Mankenberg said she wanted her team to pick up the tempo in the second half.

"We can be a lot more focused than the first half tonight," she said.

In the ensuing half, the Lady Mavs ran away from Morningside. Priest loaded her shotgun and blasted the hoop five times from 17 feet.

Long-distance jumpers from Roxanne Wiles and a pair of three-pointers from Floyd made UNO coaches forget the foul trouble Skradski was in as the Lady Mavs went on to bury the Chiefs 71-47.

The victory boosted the Lady Mavs' record to 18-6.

"I was a little concerned with our play," Mankenberg said. "It was a scruffy game, but the second half was more intense."

Mavs kick Coyotes

By Daren Schrat

The UNO men's basketball team split its weekend home-game series against the University of South Dakota and Morningside College.

Against the South Dakota Coyotes Friday, the Mavericks wasted little time putting points on the board as Ray Howard muscled in a couple of baskets and Phil Cartwright scored from 15 feet to move himself into third place in the all-time UNO scoring ranks.

The Coyotes stayed with the Mavs with a couple of shots by John Brenegan and a three-pointer by Jeff Wirtz. UNO still led by one.

The Mavs continued to work inside with Howard and Cartwright punishing the Coyotes with baskets off the glass. Thad Mott dumped a pass to Cartwright, and the Mavs were ahead by 11 with the stuff.

A three-pointer by Mike "Money" Conley and a basket by Tony Stubblefield put the Mavs up by 14. A Brenegan three-pointer cut the Mavs' lead 39-29 at halftime. The Mavs had trailed at the half 12 times before their lead against the Coyotes.

"We haven't had a halftime lead since the alumni game," Cartwright said.

In the second half, the Mavs shoved the Coyotes around some more. Howard powered in a couple of baskets and Ron Walker made a steal at mid-court. With his layup, the Mavs had their biggest lead, 45-29.

The Coyotes came back with a three-pointer by Brenegan and another by Loren DeKruyf, reducing the Mavs' lead to two.

But Howard forced two baskets inside and another from the lane to put the Mavs ahead by six.

A three-pointer by DeKruyf tied the game at 61 with 6:42 remaining. The Mavs answered

with a 16-foot baseline jumper by Mott and a basket each from Cartwright and Walker.

But South Dakota got a three-pointer from Troy Terronez to complement a DeKruyf jumper, putting the Coyotes within two.

There were 32 seconds to play when the Coyotes tried to win with a couple of last-ditch, three-point attempts, but the Mavs hung on 72-70.

The Mavs were led by Cartwright's 26 points and 16 rebounds. Howard had a career-high 18 points and 12 boards. Walker and Bonde added eight points each.

The next night, the Mavs fell short against the Morningside Chiefs. Mott struck gold from 15 feet to start the game, but the Chiefs' Chad Mercer scored consecutive baskets to give Morningside a four-point lead.

The Mavs took the lead after trailing by six with baskets by Cartwright, Stubblefield and Ryan Elrod.

Dave Vaandrager scored three baskets and Jason Huff made two more to give the Chiefs a nine-point lead. Cartwright answered with three baskets, but Morningside got a pair of three-pointers from Jason Kleis as the Chiefs took a 36-29 lead into halftime.

Morningside broke the game open in the second half, never trailing. Huff hit two straight three-pointers to answer one from Walker.

The Chiefs built a lead extending to as much as 19, despite 14 second-half points from Walker and eight more each from Cartwright and Mott.

The Mavs shot just 35.8 percent from the floor, losing 80-62.

"We didn't shoot the ball well tonight, and that's what we depended on was shooting the ball," UNO Coach Bob Hanson said. "And we didn't get the put-backs and rebounds as they did."



—Eric Francis

Ray Howard, No. 31, had 18 points and 12 rebounds against South Dakota. "... (He) pounded us on the offensive boards. That was the key to the game," said South Dakota Coach Dave Boots.

SPORTS

Maverick wrestlers finish fifth in NCC meet

By Owen Hoevel

If one is lonely, two is a couple, and three's a crowd, what is four?

"Not bad," said Coach Mike Denney, after four of his nine wrestlers won trips to the national tournament in last week's North Central Conference (NCC) tournament in Fargo, N.D.

The Mavs finished well behind the winner North Dakota State, which scored 71 1/2 points, with a fifth-place finish of 37 1/2 points.

The tournament was highlighted by Pat Kelly's total domination of the 190-pound weight class, as he finished first, beating Mike Gohde from Northern Colorado 7-3 in the finals.

"He performed well this week," Denney said. "He will probably be the top seed in the national

tournament."

Mark Passer, 134 pounds, also qualified for nationals by finishing second. Passer, who was the third seed in his weight class, is the only senior of the four qualifiers.

Dan Radik finished the tournament in third place at 177 pounds. Radik, who has been rated near the top of the conference and the nation all year, will join Kelly as the only two Mavs who appear to be ranked in the national tournament, which begins March 6 in Greeley, Colo.

Marc Bauer rounds out the four qualifiers with a fourth-place finish and a wild-card berth. Bauer's performance was tarnished by his final match loss to a wrestler he already had beaten twice this year.

"He was well ahead in the match, then was put

on his back and had to struggle just not to get pinned," Denney said.

Only the top three finishers automatically qualify for nationals, and several wild cards are handed out to those who performed well, but didn't finish in the top three.

The afternoon's big heartache belonged to Steve Costanzo, a freshman at 142 pounds, who began the day with a tough victory against Brent Loken of Augustana. Costanzo went on to knock out one of the top seeds in the tourney before wrestling Loken again, this time for third or fourth and the automatic bid. Costanzo fell just short and finished fourth and failed to receive a wild card bid.

"It's really disappointing that Steve didn't get a wild card," Denney said.

"Before the tournament, I thought five qualifiers would have been tremendous," he said. "It was a tough break for him."

Although the Mavs had four qualifiers, Denney said he was upset with the team's overall performance. "We didn't perform as well as we would have liked," he said. "We had some real ups and downs, and just weren't as consistent as we would have liked to (have been)."

With one more event to go in the year, Denney said he is looking ahead — not just to nationals, but to next year as well.

"We're looking forward to nationals. All four of our wrestlers definitely have All-American potential. And with only one senior leaving, Passer, the team will be experienced and ready to go for next year," he said.



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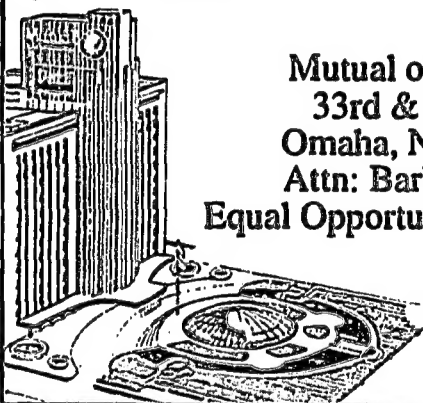
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SPORTS

UNO basketball: a first-class act

Our beloved Lady Mavs and Mavericks must travel to the Great White North next week to play those North Dakota hosers. I have had the opportunity to cover these two teams.

There were good times, like the many occasions when the Mavs erased halftime deficits to defeat their bewildered opponents and how the Lady Mavs bounced back to win four straight after losing three games against three highly ranked opponents.

There were bad times, when my standing among the coaches was tested. When UNO forward Terry Henderson was suspended and later dismissed from the team I followed with a pair of stories. UNO Head Coach Bob Hanson did not like the type of attention the story received.

Initially, he didn't want to talk about it, but he later did talk to me about it. It was his job to think of the welfare of the team, and my job was to cover the events surrounding the UNO basketball team. Those interviews I had with Hanson weren't easy.

He had to do what he felt was best for the team. Unfortunately, doing what is best usually means doing something difficult.

Head Coach Cherri Mankenberg has tried to get the media to at least include the Lady Mavs in a newscast or on a sports-page space larger than an inch.

Her frustration may have caused her to say how the *Gateway* did not give the Lady Mavs equal coverage. I had felt the

THE RIGHT CALL BY DAREN SCHRAT

Gateway was giving the Lady Mavs more attention than any other media outlet. I was disturbed by her comments and so were other *Gateway* staffers, as was indicated in their editorials.

Cherri and I discussed the media question, last week's student politics fiasco which involved the athletic program, and, more importantly, the Lady Mavs. We parted with smiles and handshakes because we had solved our problem and reinforced our

mutual respect for one another.

I am thankful the good times have outnumbered the bad. Both teams have endured disappointing losses, but the attitude of the players and coaches has remained positive.

Thus, this basketball season has amounted to more than basketball. Who can forget the crowd of Girl Scouts who cheered their hearts out for the Lady Mavs?

Maverick guard Thad Motts said after the loss to Morningside he was glad God gave him the ability to play because there was a child in the locker room with spinal bifida who couldn't walk.

There were other great memories from this season which came when the court was idle.

The joy on a child's face when Coach Hanson presented him — an honored Mini-Mav — with a shirt, ball or cap at center court before a game, and the tokens of appreciation presented to notable sponsors, shouldn't be overlooked.

Indeed, those are some of the reasons why the good outweighed the bad during the 1991-92 UNO basketball season.

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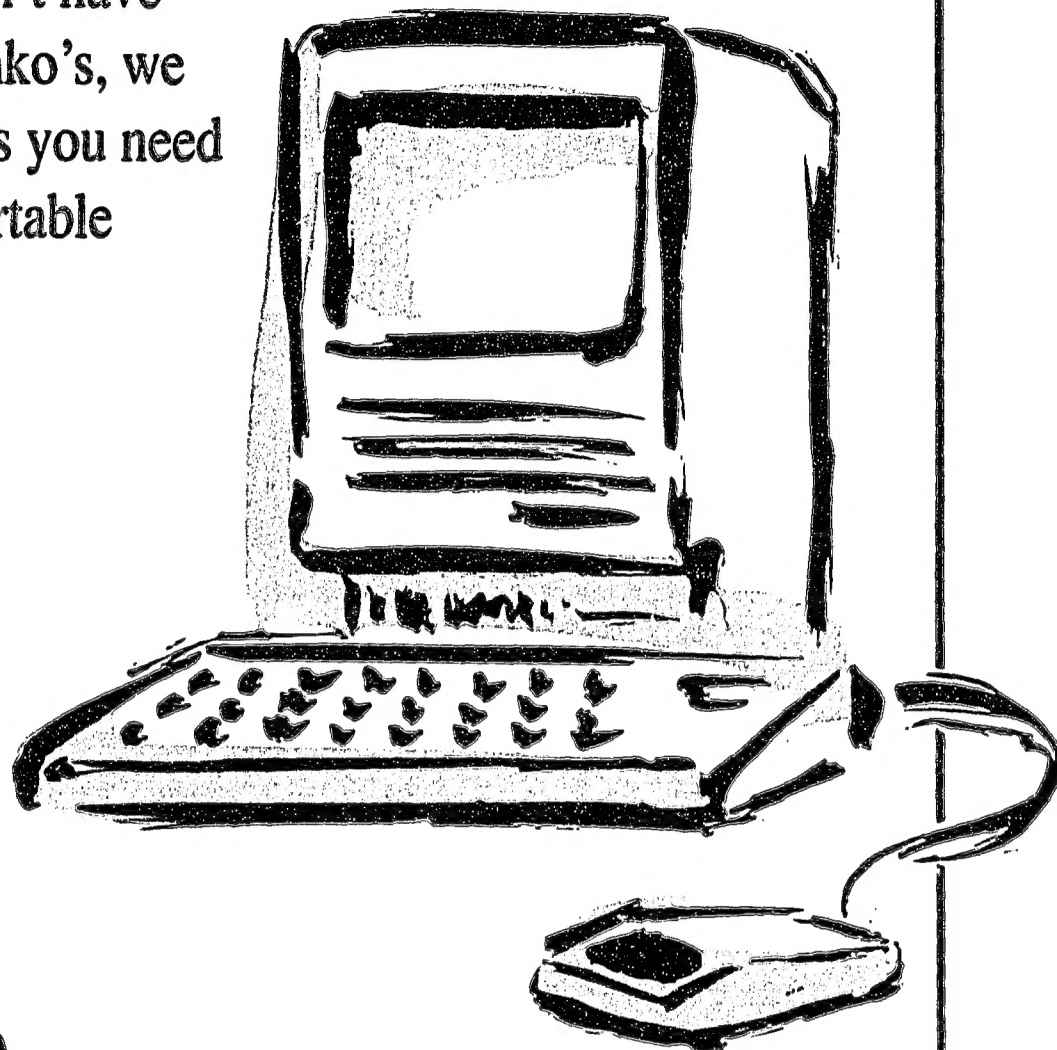
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